

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 7 were pending in the application. Claims 2, 4, 5, and 7 were indicated as objected to for being dependent upon a rejected base claims, but otherwise allowable. Claims 1, 3, and 6 were rejected under § 102(b) as anticipated by Lau '733, as set forth in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the Office Action.

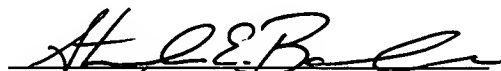
With the present Amendment, claims 1, 3, and 6 have been cancelled, and claims 2, 4, 5, and 7 have been amended to be placed in independent form, and are thus allowable.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are allowable and that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable action thereon is respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at his convenience should he have any questions regarding this matter or to resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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